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**GEORGE W. SHARP**

Republican Candidate for Secretary of State

Honest, Able and Courteous

His office has been conducted economically and efficiently; not a word of criticism is offered against him.

Will Appreciate Your Vote

—adv.

## FROM MR. EDGAR

Editor Pocahontas Times,  
Dear Sir:  
Since my opponent, Mr. A. E. Cooper, became a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney he has made right liberal use of the columns of the county papers to set forth his views on how the office should be conducted. He has criticized the employment of a stenographer and found fault with many other things which he claims he will correct in case of his election. Were it not for the several untrue statements of fact contained in his articles I would prefer to let them go unnoticed. However, in last week's issue of the Marlinton Journal he makes several statements which are so at variance with the true facts that I feel the people of the county should be informed as to the truth.

He says that an item of \$25.00 has been inserted in the estimate for the purpose of paying the stenographer for services rendered at inquests. \$100.00 was placed in the estimate, but Mr. Cooper seems to be ignorant of the fact that it was to provide pay for the coroner and the jurors conducting the inquests. Not one cent of it was paid to my stenographer.

He further says that the County Court, at its meeting in July, reduced the salary of the stenographer from \$1200.00 to \$900.00 per year. Again Mr. Cooper is grossly in error, for the County Court did not do such thing. At the meeting referred to by him the Court decided that it would reduce the salaries of all deputies and employees, but effective January 1st, 1933. He also says that without the knowledge or consent of certain members of the County Court I raised the salary from \$900.00 to \$1050.00. This statement is false. The salaries of all county officials and their deputies are fixed upon the basis of the calendar year and estimates and levies are made upon the basis of the fiscal year. The estimate referred to by him was for the fiscal year beginning July 1st, 1932, so the Court provided funds in the estimate for the last six months of 1932 and the first six months of 1933. In other words, the estimate provides for the stenographer's salary for six months at \$1100.00 per month and six months at \$1050.00 for the fiscal year. At the same time it was proposed to reduce the salaries of the deputy sheriffs from \$4180.00 to \$2900.00, so the estimate shows \$3540.00. Likewise it was proposed to reduce the deputy assessor's salary from \$1500.00 to \$1200.00, so the estimate shows \$1350.00, also it was proposed to reduce the deputy assessor's salaries from \$2600.00 to \$2200.00 and the estimate shows \$2400.00. Mr. Cooper could have known all these things had he desired to make public the true facts. He asks the people to make him the adviser of the County Court, yet he seems to be wholly ignorant of the manner of making up estimates and laying levies.

He also complains of the manner in which the County Court has settled rights-of-way da m a g e s . This is a matter with which I had nothing to do; it was not a part of my duties; it was not present when the County Court dealt with several land owners and knew nothing of the facts until after the agreements were reached between the Court and the property owners. If Mr. Cooper knows the law touching the subject of acquiring rights-of-way he should have stated in his article that the Prosecuting Attorney has nothing to do with it and that it is a function belonging exclusively to the County Court. If he wants to be informed as to the facts in the cases mentioned I am sure the members of the County Court and the land owners affected will tell him. In this statement Mr. Cooper reflects upon the intelligence and independence of each member of the County Court.

He has attempted to impress upon the people that the employment of a stenographer in the Prosecuting Attorney's office is responsible for the heavy tax burden we are bearing. To illustrate his exaggeration, it would cost a farmer with a \$5,000.00 assessed valuation just Sixty Cents per year to employ a stenographer for the Prosecuting Attorney; an assessment of \$1,000.00 would bear Twelve Cents per year.

Having had no experience with the duties of the office, Mr. Cooper attempts to enumerate the work a stenographer in the office is required to do. Should he be elected he will be awakened to the fact that the services of a stenographer are indispensable. I believe that a candidate for a local office should refrain from writing newspaper articles, but the gross misrepresentations Mr. Cooper has made require my writing above. The real issue in this election is the fitness and qualifications of those who seek the office; a trivial saving at the expense of efficiency will not interest the intelligent man or woman. Therefore, I leave the issue to the good sense and sober judgment of the people of Pocahontas County.

Respectfully yours,  
A. P. EDGAR.  
Editor Times:  
That was a scathing piece in the Marlinton Journal last week on our commonwealth's attorney, A. P. Edgar, uncalled for and not correct. He has been faithful in his duties, and he is one of the finest attorneys in the State. As for the damages for road rights of way, I had a personal interest in that matter, and was present when Mr. Edgar came before the court and told them to condemn all and not select a few. The court did not heed his advice.

## REV. K. V. BOWEN DEAD

Rev. Kirby V. Bowen, pastor of the Marlinton Presbyterian Church, died at the home of his father, George Bowen, in Indianapolis, Indiana, on Tuesday morning, November 1, 1932. The cause of his death was heart failure, and his going was sudden and wholly unexpected.

Mrs. Bowen and daughter, Miss Vera, left Tuesday forenoon for Indiana. They were accompanied by Mrs. Geraldine Lee, Miss Allice Woodruff and Charles Camper. It is presumed Mr. Bowen will be buried among his people in Indiana. A number of his friends started Wednesday to attend the funeral.

The sudden taking of this good man was a shock to the entire community. No one held a deeper place in the affections of the people. He came to Marlinton more than five years ago as pastor of the Presbyterian Church. He fitted well into the life of the community as spiritual leader; few men have been more beloved, nor made a deeper impression on our people.

He was a great preacher; a faithful pastor; a deep scholar; an understanding friend; a man of God. Kirby V. Bowen was born in Indiana, forty five years ago, the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Bowen, who survive. He answered the call to the ministry in the Friends Church. He taught in the colleges and seminaries of that church. Later he was pastor of a large congregation in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Then he sought membership in the Presbyterian church, and took the course at the Union Theological Seminary. He received a call from the Marlinton Presbyterian Church and accepted it in April, 1927. He appeared happy in this pastorate, for he served an appreciative people.

Mr. Bowen was married to Miss Cox of Wichita, Kansas. She and their daughter, Vera, survive him. During the summer Mr. Bowen had quite a serious illness, but he apparently made a good recovery. Two weeks ago he went to spend a short vacation with his aged parents in his home state. He had expected to return home the latter part of this week.

**SURPRISE PARTY**  
A lovely surprise shower was given to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas McNeill on Tuesday evening when members of the family assembled at their home near Huntersville, for a house warming. Also the presentation of the gifts and an evening of visiting, dancing and dessert courses were served by the unexpected visitors.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. William G. McNeill, Mr. and Mrs. Norton Kellison, Dr. and Mrs. O. H. Kee, Mrs. A. S. Overholt, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. McNeill, Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Overholt, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Dorsey, Bill McNeill, Jim McNeill, Miss Louise McNeill, and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas McNeill.

Hon. J. B. McLaughlin, of Braxton county, was in Pocahontas on Tuesday, at the interest of his campaign for Commissioner of Agriculture. He is one of our people, and his candidacy appeals to us. He has practical ideas and ideals for the office of Commissioner of Agriculture when he is elected to it. For instance, he knows that the finest sheep and cattle of the Greenbrier Valley go to eastern cities on a high freight, only to find a slaughtering place. The meat products in part then come back to the state on a high freight rate to find a market. The producer pays the freight one way; the consumer pays the freight both ways. Mr. McLaughlin has set himself to exert influence for a processing plant in the stock producing part of the state to eliminate this waste and lost motion. Another thing, the farmers of the state are put to it to find a market for their food products, yet the various public institutions of this state buy practically all their food stuffs from beyond the borders of the State. These things ought not so to be. Mr. McLaughlin has ideas about our schools too. The science of agriculture should be taught our children. Go farther than the mere production proposition too. There are 500,000 children in elementary school, 50,000 are in high schools; 10,000 of these graduate each year; 2500 go to institutions of higher learning. It looks like we are bending our school efforts along professional rather than vocational lines. Mr. McLaughlin is backing Judge Kump in his economy program to the limit; because it is right and because it will bring relief to the tax oppressed people in general and the farmer in particular.

The "Be and Do" Class of the Marlinton Methodist Sunday School gave a miscellaneous shower in honor of Mrs. Edna May Bear, a member of the class and a recent bride, at the home of Mrs. Herbert Vaughan, Friday evening, October 28. Mrs. Bear received many beautiful and useful presents with the good wishes of her friends. Refreshments were served to twenty-two members of the class and the following guests: Mrs. Mary E. Moore, Mrs. E. H. Williams, Mrs. S. J. Rexrode, Mrs. Frank McLaughlin, Mrs. Ward Wimer, Mrs. W. G. Winton, Mrs. Harlow Waugh, Mrs. Anna Thomas, Miss Annas Cole, Mrs. Fred Gehauf, Mrs. R. D. Tigrett, Miss Ruth Barnes, Mrs. Frank Moore, Mrs. A. H. McFerrin, Miss Maud Good, Mrs. Guy Faulkner, Mrs. Henry Hiner, Mrs. Laura May, Mrs. C. E. Denison, Mrs. Paul Overholt, Miss Myrl Kilien, Miss Libby Williams, Mr. John Bear, Herbert, Jim, George and Jack Vaughan, and Tappan Thomas.

## CHURCH NOTES

**MARLINTON METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. W. G. Winton, Pastor  
10:00 a. m. Sunday School  
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.  
Sermon: "Will Jesus Be at the Feast? Administration of the Lord's Supper."  
Young Peoples' Church Worship 7:30 P. M.  
Theme: "Working Toward World Peace."  
Young Peoples' Communion Service.

**MARLINTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
At a meeting of the officers of the Church on Tuesday night, preparations were made for the Memorial Service to the Pastor, Rev. K. V. Bowen, who died in Indianapolis, November 1st, to be held on Sunday morning, Nov. 6, at 11 A. M.

**CASS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
J. T. Pharr, Pastor.  
Services for next Sunday:  
Sunday School 10 A. M.  
Preaching 11:00 A. M.  
Young Peoples' Service 7:15 P. M.  
Brening Service and Sermon 8:00  
Prayer Meeting, Thurs. 8:00 P. M.  
Wirm welcome to these services.

There will be Special Church Services during the month of November—Go to Church Month Plan. Fifty churches and seventeen pastors are cooperating in this "go to church plan". Every member and all friends invited to attend the church of your choice at least for one service each Sunday. Let us go to God's House next Sunday.

Subject for this prayer service, 2nd Bible of John. Please bring your Bible for study at prayer meeting.

The Young People's League enjoyed a Halloween party on Monday night. Plenty of fun, wild masks and costumes. Dainty refreshments were served and a large crowd attended.

The "Foot-ball Service," in the Presbyterian Church, Sunday night was attended by 400 people. Football squads from the Greenbank High School and from the Cass graded school sat in one large group. The church was decorated with football helmets, shoulder pads and the pennants and colors of the schools. Rev. J. T. Pharr preached on the subject, "Sampson, An Old Testament Athlete." The foot-ball squads made a fine showing as they sat in one group in reserved seats in the center of the church. Fine music by the vesper choir.

**ALEXANDER MEMORIAL CHURCH**  
J. T. Pharr, Pastor  
10:00 A. M. Sunday School  
Preaching service on the 2nd and 4th Sunday afternoons of each month at 3 o'clock P. M.

Sunday School attendance at the Marlinton Methodist Church last Sunday, 184; at the Presbyterian Church, 162.

**COMMUNITY SINGING**  
There will be Community Singing at the Arboreale Church next Sunday, November 6th, at 2:30 P. M. A good program is being prepared. All are invited.

The Red Cross Relief Committee has a hard and fast rule that no one who supports an automobile can be allowed rations of flour.

There is now a quantity of Red Cross cloth for the needy people of Pocahontas County. This consists of gingham, outing and shirting. Application for this cloth is made thru the teacher in county communities. These applications are then passed by the relief committee.

As for shoes, the Red Cross funds are completely exhausted and no shoes can be furnished.

In this connection the County Superintendent is greatly in need of school books for needy children in all parts of the county. Please look over your old books and send to your teacher who will forward them to Mr. Flynn.

County Court was in session on Tuesday with Commissioners A. C. Barlow, H. H. Hudson and M. C. Smith in attendance. There were a number of voters who appeared in person and were registered. There are about 7500 voters registered. The democratic majority is nearly 900.

## Hunting Equipments

Winchester Guns and Ammunition  
Duxbak and Dribak Clothes  
Hunkidori Shoes,  
Prices are low. Now is a good time to buy.

**C. J. RICHARDSON**  
Marlinton, W. Va.

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTES

Greenbank District—Greenbank High School Friday, November 4, at 2:30 o'clock  
Little Levels District—Hillsboro High School Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock.  
Edray and Huntersville Districts—Marlinton, High School, Saturday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock.  
Teachers may attend any one of these meetings that is most convenient for them. Other subjects such as Standardization, Attendance, Fair Exhibit, Plan of Work, Reports, and Questionnaires will be discussed at this meeting.

C. E. Flynn.

County Superintendent Flynn and some thirty five or forty of his teachers attended the annual convention of the State Educational Association. Around six thousand of the sixteen thousand teachers of the State were in attendance. It was a profitable meeting. The new president is E. E. Church, principal of the Parkersburg High School—the largest High School in the State. The next annual convention will be held in Wheeling.

## UPON HIS RECORD

Miss Beulah McComb returned to her home at Huntersville, Sunday from Washington, D. C., where she attended the National Convention of District Postmasters, Oct. 18 to 21.

## WILLIAM C. COOK

State Superintendent of Schools  
Superintendent Cook believes:  
That our people want an efficient system of schools at a cost they can afford to pay; that school taxes should be lower in each district; that a large state aid is necessary to reduce local taxes; that efficient schools should be maintained for ALL children in our state; that we should have a good teacher in each school room; and that

**MONEY SHOULD BE SAVED WHERE POSSIBLE**  
without impairing the efficiency of our schools.

## For Congress

**JOE L. SMITH**  
Of Beckley, W. Va.

### Honest, Capable, Experienced

A vote for Congressman Joe L. Smith is a vote for a man of the people, who through his own efforts has risen to a position of responsibility in the national government. As chairman of the important committee on Mines and Mining he must be retained in Congress if that post is to remain in the hands of the Representative of the Sixth West Virginia district. A new man in Congress would have no chance to secure this appointment.

**ELECT HIM NOVEMBER 8th**

—Political Advertisement

## WOMAN'S CLUB

The Woman's Club met in the home of Miss Annie King, Friday evening, October 28th 1932, with the President, Miss Anna Lee Ervine, opening in the usual manner.

With roll call, the following members responded with a news item: Misses Ervine and Elizabeth Hill; Mesdames D. C. Adickson, K. V. Bowen, S. N. Hench, C. P. Dorsey, Paul Overholt, Rube McNeill, C. W. Price, Sam Pollock, Miles, Stemple, E. C. Smith, John Sydenstricker, Elva Wilson, N. S. Woodard, and the hostess, Miss Annie King.

Minutes were read by Mrs. Hench, after which business was disposed of, and a debate "Resolved that installment buying has more advantages than disadvantages" was ably discussed by Affirmative—Mrs. Elva Wilson, Negative—Miss Elizabeth Hill. Delicious refreshments were served and the meeting adjourned.

Mr. and Mrs. Q. W. Poape and grandsons, Quincy Shinnery spent last week end with Mrs. Poape's sister, Mrs. Harry Robb, of Clarksburg, and their friends, Col. R. E. Price and Robert P. Warner at Jane Lew.

## BEARD-LIPPS

A romance which had its beginning in the sick room of the groom's brother, reached its culmination on September 6, 1932, at the Baptist parsonage in Covington, Va., when Mr. Fred Beard of Marlinton, was united in marriage to Mrs. Helen Jackson Lipps, of Ronceverte, who nursed Mr. Beard's brother during his last illness. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Jackson of Ronceverte, and the groom is the only brother of the late Dr. Harry L. Beard, of Lewisburg. Both are well known in this city and vicinity and have many friends who wish them great happiness. They will make their home in Pocahontas county, West Virginia News.

At a meeting of the elders and deacons of the Marlinton Presbyterian Church on Tuesday night, the following were appointed to attend the funeral of their pastor, Rev. K. V. Bowen, in Indianapolis, Indiana, as official representatives of the church: Z. S. Smith, Jr., Harry L. Byers, Rev. O. N. Miles and Calvin W. Price.

J. B. Shisler was up from Droop Mountain on business, Monday.

## COUNTY CORN and POTATO SHOW

December 3, 1932

Premium List Corn	1st	2nd	3rd
Class 1, Reid's Yellow Dent	\$1.50	\$1.25	\$1.00
Class 2, White Dent	1.50	1.25	1.00
Class 3, Any other Dent	1.50	1.25	1.00
Class 4, Single ear any variety	1.50	1.25	1.00

Entries Classes 1, 2 and 3 to consist of 10 ears

Premium List Potatoes	1st	2nd	3rd
Class 1, Smooth Rurals	\$1.50	\$1.25	\$1.00
Class 2, Russet Rurals	1.50	1.25	1.00
Class 3, Green Mountains	1.50	1.25	1.00
Class 4, Cobblers	1.50	1.25	1.00
Class 5, Any Variety	1.50	1.25	1.00

Each entry to consist of one peck  
Plate exhibits will be shown, no premium  
Entries received December 2, all entries to be placed by 10 A. M. Dec. 3.  
Each exhibitor limited to one entry in each class.

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